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In the Matter of the Application of Ichiro KAMIYA, et al.

For DESALINATION METHOD AND DESALINATION APPARATUS

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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REMARKS

Favorable consideration of this application, as presently amended, is respectfully requested.

The present Preliminary Amendment is submitted to place the above-identified application in more proper format under United States practice. By the present Preliminary Amendment the claims have been amended to no longer recite any reference numerals or improper multiple dependencies.

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